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SUBJECT: MILITARY SURVEY TEAM - GABON

REFERENCE: A) STATE 303012

1. SURVEY TEAM IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE LIBREVILLE 1835 HOURS, 5 JAN. ON ZAIRE (QC) AIRLINES FLIGHT 051 FROM ABIDJAN.

2. BIOGRAPHIC DATA ON TEAM MEMBERS AS FOLLOWS:

A. COLONEL WALTER G. KERSEY, US ARMY, TEAM CHIEF: COL KERSEY, AIR DEFENSE ARTILLERY, CURRENTLY IS ASSIGNED TO THE US ARMY ELEMENT, OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE. HE ENTERED THE US ARMY IN 1952 FOLLOWING GRADUATION FROM
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THE CITADEL MILITARY COLLEGE WITH A BA DEGREE IN POLITICAL

SCIENCE. HE HAS ALSO STUDIED INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AT JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY AND THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHAMPTON, ENGLAND. COL KERSEY HAS EXTENSIVE MILITARY TRAINING, HAVING GRADUATED FROM THE COMMAND AND GENERAL STAFF COLLEGE IN 1963 AND THE FRENCH L'ECOLE DE GUERE SUPERIOR IN 1974. HIS MILITARY SERVICE INCLUDES A WIDE VARIETY OF COMMAND AND STAFF ASSIGNMENTS. SKILLED IN COUNTER GUERRILLA INSURGENCY

WARFARE, HE HAS ALSO TRAINED FOREIGN TROOPS WHILE SERVING OVERSEAS AS A MILITARY ADVISER. HE HAS SERVED IN FRANCE, GERMANY, ENGLAND AND VIETNAM. A GRADUATE OF THE DEFENSE LANGUAGE INSTITUTE, COLONEL KERSEY IS PROFICIENT IN FRENCH AND HAS A LIMITED COMMAND OF GERMAN.

B. LTCOL HARVEY CLARKE CARROLL, JR., US AIR FORCE, TEAM MEMBER: LTCOL CARROLL, USAF, IS PRESENTLY SERVING AS A POLITICO-MILITARY AFFAIRS OFFICER ON THE AIR FORCE STAFF. SINCE ENTERING MILITARY SERVICE IN 1957, HE HAS HELD VARIOUS OPERATIONAL AND STAFF POSITIONS. THESE INCLUDE: INSTRUCTOR PILOT, MISSILE LAUNCH CREW COMMANDER, AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE OFFICER, AND ATTACHE DUTY. LTC CARROLL'S MILITARY TRAINING INCLUDES THE AIR COMMAND AND STAFF COLLEGE, THE INDUSTRIAL COLLEGE OF THE ARMED FORCES, AND THE AIR WAR COLLEGE. HE HOLDS A B.S. DEGREE IN AERO-NAUTICAL ENGINEERING FROM NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY AND A MASTER'S DEGREE IN EDUCATION FROM FRESNO STATE. LTC CARROLL HAS A WORKING KNOWLEDGE OF FRENCH AND A KEEN AWARENESS OF THE WEST AFRICAN ENVIRONMENT, HAVING SERVED AS THE DEFENSE ATTACHE TO CHAD, GABON, CAMEROON, AND CAR DURING THE PERIOD DECEMBER 1969 TO MARCH 1972.

C. CAPT E. LUTHER, JOHNSON, US NAVY, TEAM MEMBER: CAPT JOHNSON IS CURRENTLY ASSIGNED TO THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS. HE ENTERED THE NAVY FOLLOWING GRADUATION FROM CLARK UNIVERSITY AND WAS COMMISSIONED AS AN ENSIGN IN JUNE 1952. CAPT JOHNSON HAS SERVED IN A VARIETY OF OPERATIONAL AND STAFF POSITIONS BOTH AT SEA AND ASHORE. HE HAS AN EXTENSIVE EDUCATION IN FRENCH AND OTHER LANGUAGES AND HAS RECEIVED A MASTER OF ARTS DEGREE IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS FROM AMERICAN UNIVERSITY. ROBINSON
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